

WEST LAFAYETTE POLICE MERIT COMMISSION MINUTES

February 9, 2009

The West Lafayette Police Merit Commission met in regular session at City Hall Lower Level Conference Room on February 9, 2009 at 7:30 pm

Police Merit Commission President Leverenz called the meeting to order and presided.

PRESENT: Commissioners Don Corrigan, Larry Leverenz, Jon Hoggatt, Jill Suitor, and Bob Troyer.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor John Dennis, Commission Counsel Brooks, Police Chief Dombkowski and one member of the police department.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Corrigan moved "to approve the minutes of January 12, 2009 meeting." The motion was unanimously adopted.

OLD BUSINESS

Dr. James LeBreton sent an e-mail to President Leverenz regarding construction of a new promotional exam. He outlined a five part plan for the commission to consider:

- 1.) Furnishing a test construction manual which can be used to create revised tests.
- 2.) In order to create the construction manual, have a set of targeted interviews with 2-3 officers per rank.
- 3.) Test construction, due to time constraints, would consist of job knowledge questions. The process of creating a validated situational judgment portion could follow.
- 4.) Advice on judgment questions in an interview setting could be given in lieu of written questions.
- 5.) A formal proposal can be given based upon the commission's recommendations.

President Leverenz will advise Dr. LeBreton to prepare a formal proposal.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. September 12th, 2009 will be the date for new applicant testing.
- B. Police Chief Dombkowski gave a report on the current status of the department.
- C. Commissioner Troyer moved "To promote Officer Arthur Choate to the rank of Sergeant." The motion was seconded by Commissioner Corrigan and passed unanimously.

D. Police Chief Dombkowski described the need for an additional promotion due to structural reorganization to fill in gaps in leadership caused by military service and other commitments.

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR


None

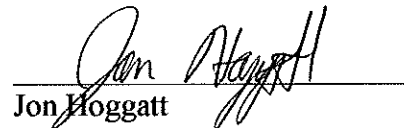
PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.


Larry Leverenz
President


Jon Hoggatt
Secretary